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In response to the Official Action dated **June 21, 2005**, reconsideration is respectfully  
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- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include  
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- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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